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Applicant : Sujith K. Arramreddy, et al.
Application No. : 09/637,846
Filed : August 10, 2000
Title : PERIPHERAL COMPONENT
INTERCONNECT ARBITER
IMPLEMENTATION WITH DYNAMIC
PRIORITY SCHEME
Grp./Div. : 2189
Examiner : Kim T. Huynh
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Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	9	* 20	0	x \$9.00	x \$18.00	0
Independent Claims	1	** 3	0	x \$42.00	x \$84.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$140.00	\$280.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE						\$0
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ****	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					0
LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1						
* IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 20 OR LESS, WRITE "20" IN COLUMN 3 ** IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN COLUMN 3 *** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST TIME **** IF NO FEE REQUIRED, ADDRESS ENVELOPE TO "BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENTS"						

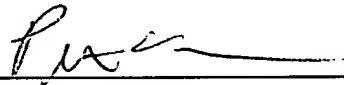
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- ___ Attached is our check for \$ to pay the fees calculated above.
- ___ A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.
- ___ Other enclosures:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of November 27, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows. Claims 2 - 9 remain unchanged but are included hereinbelow for the Examiner's convenience.

1. (Amended) A method of assigning ownership of a peripheral component interconnect (PCI) bus, the method including:
- identifying a target requested by a master;
 - determining if data associated with the target is available; and